



# A Report to Our Citizens Fiscal Year 2019

#### **Mission Statement**

The Guam Fire Department will respond to and mitigate all threats to life, property, and the environment in the Territory of Guam and its surrounding waters. This will be accomplished through education, prevention, and an effective response to fire, medical, and environmental emergencies.

### Goal

The Guam Fire Department will be a fire service nationally recognized and accredited in fire suppression, fire prevention, Emergency Medical Services, search and rescue, hazardous materials response and emergency medical dispatch. At a minimum, every fire station will house a fire engine, ambulance, and some type of specialty response apparatus such as a water tanker, ladder truck, rescue unit, or Advanced Life Support unit. Firefighters will be fully equipped and trained, both technically and physically, to respond to all emergencies that pose a threat to the safety of life and property.

### **Statutory Basis**

Upon the enactment of Public Law 1-88 in 1952, the Fire Division was created within the Department of Public Safety (DPS). On March 13, 1985, Public Law 17-78 separated the Fire Division from DPS and established the Guam Fire Department, a line agency of the Government of Guam. On March 6, 1996 Public Law 23-77 tasked the Guam Fire Department with the responsibility to administer and operate the Emergency 911 telephone communications system; regulated by the EMS Commission.

The Guam Fire Department is mandated to protect life and property from the perils of fire and other disasters. This could only be achieved through an accomplished fire prevention, suppression, and extinguishment plan. Furthermore, the formulation of a comprehensive Emergency Medical Services (EMS/Ambulance) Program, inclusive of an Advanced Life Support Intercept Program for the Territory of Guam, was required. An extensive Fire Prevention bureau overseeing fire inspections, new and existing building plan review and approval, investigations, code enforcement, and public education, was also established. Also entrusted to the Guam Fire Department were the responsibilities of land and sea search and rescue, operation and management of an enhanced Emergency 911 communications system, and more recently the addition of a dedicated hazardous materials response team. We are able to perform these missions by: "Promoting safety and maintaining a well equipped, highly trained, and motivated force of professional Firefighters/EMTs, EMDs, and Rescue personnel; while promoting fire prevention and education programs".

#### **CORE VALUES**

# "HONOR IS GAINED THROUGH PRIDE"

- ◆ Professionalism— To respond with high technical and performance standards.
- ◆ Respect—To place high regard upon each other, to earn high regard from those we serve.
- ◆ Integrity—To sustain good moral and ethical codes.
- ◆ Dedication—To always be ready, trained and fit to answer the call.
- ◆ Empathy—To be courteous, conscientious and compassionate.

# How We Have Progressed Fiscal Year 2019

### 2019 Highlights

- Replacement of E-9-1-1 System (Contract signing)
- o HazMat Response Equipment
- Hydraulic Extrication Tools (Jaws of Life)
- Self-contained Breathing Apparatus
- Procurement of Incident Command/Comms Vehicle
- Procurement of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs)
- o Procurement of (9) Ambulances
- First Ever Community Risk Reduction Week Proclamation
- National Fire Academy State Point of Contact designation
- Wildland Fire Investigator Certifications
- Community
   Partnerships/Volunteerism







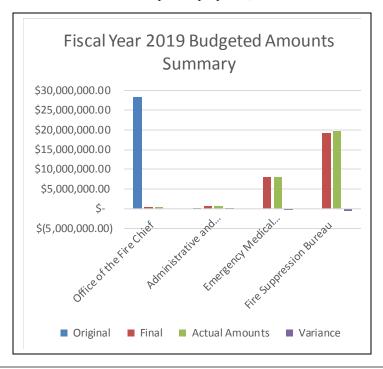
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<b>Performance Measures</b>	2019				
Staffing Pattern					
Fire Chief	1				
Deputy Fire Chief	1				
Assistant Chief	4				
Battalion Chief	6				
Fire Captain	20				
Fire Lieuten ant	46				
Firefighter II	40				
Firefighter I	98				
Civilian Personnel (E-911, Maintenance and ADMIN)	33				
Statistics (Medical)					
Sick/III Person	9746				
Sick with ALS Transport	958 2272				
Injured Person					
Injured Person with ALS Transport	103				
Cardiac Arrest	186				
First Aid Service	87				
Statistics (Fire Suppression)					
Fire Hydrant Maintenance	201				
In Service Training	363				
Structure Fire	72				
Unauthorized Controlled Burn	1073				
Vegetation Fire / Grass Fire	390				
Statistics (Fire Prevention/Rescue/Hazmat)					
Auto Accidents	265				
Auto Fires	45				
Rescue Services	120				
Fire Inspections	2,089				
Hazardous Incident's	7				
TOTAL ALARMS FY '19	25,221				

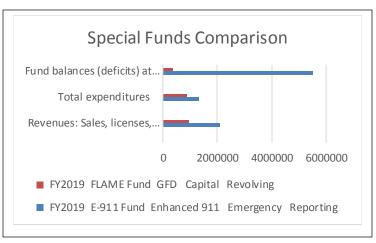
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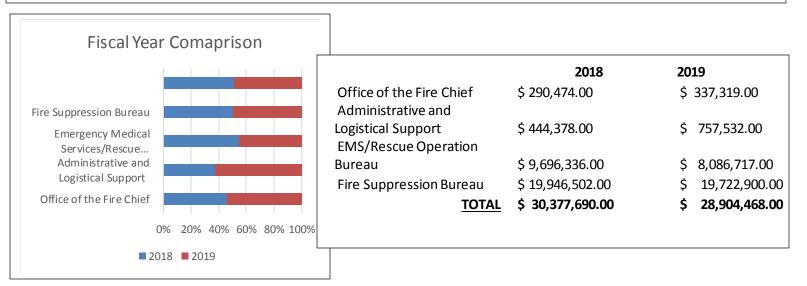
# Our Finances Revenues and Expenses

The main operating fund of the agency is the General Fund. As noted in the Deloitte's Government of Guam Independent Auditors' Report. Alternate funding sources that the agency uses are classified as Special Funds (revenues that are restricted for specific purposes.)





		<u>Original</u>		<u>Final</u>		<b>Actual Amounts</b>		<u>riance</u>
Office of the Fire Chief	\$	28,424,731.00	\$	337,319.00	\$	337,319.00	\$	-
Administrative and Logistical								
Support	\$	1,810.00	\$	770,587.00	\$	757,532.00	\$ 1	.3,055.00
EMS/Rescue Operation Bureau			\$	8,077,201.00	\$	8,086,717.00	\$	(9,516.00)
Fire Suppression Bureau			\$	19,241,433.00	\$	19,722,900.00	\$	(481,467.00)



# What's Next Key Initiatives

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### **Message from the Fire Chief**

Daniel C. Stone



The Guam Fire Department has a proud history of serving our community. That spirit of service continues as we move forward into the future. We are committed to providing the highest levels of service possible.

Our mission is "to respond to and mitigate all threats to life, property, and the environment." These words summarize what we do, but it is the men and women of the Guam Fire Department that really make the difference - they exemplify these words on a daily basis.

We are an "All-Hazard Response" department, meaning we will respond to the needs of the community, regardless of the nature of the incident. As first responders, we begin the process of solving the problem to lead to a positive outcome.

The Guam Fire Department is comprised of specialists in the areas of structural firefighting, wildland firefighting, emergency medical care and transportation, hazardous materials response, urban search and rescue, and water rescue. Every member of the Department is certified as an Emergency Medical Technician or is a nationally accredited Firefighter. Emergency medical service and transportation accounts for most of our workload, and the Guam Fire Department is a regional leader in pre-hospital emergency care. It is an absolute honor to serve with these men and women and to be able to represent such a fine organization. I am routinely impressed by the compassion and resourcefulness of the personnel of our Department and their commitment to the residents, businesses, and visitors of our island. We continually seek ways to be more efficient, more adaptable, and more responsive to the needs of our communities. We stand ready to assist you in your time of need - day or night - with professionalism, respect, integrity, dedication and empathy.

Respectfully,

#### Daniel C. Stone

### **Revenue Enhancement**

- Fire Prevention Fees and Fines update
  - Code Enforcement/Inspections
  - o Plans and Review
  - Fire Permits
  - Arson Investigation
- Emergency Medical Services
  - Ambulance Fees
  - Advance Life Support Fees
- Fire Suppression
  - Emergency Response
  - o Non-Emergency Response



## **Ongoing/Future Projects**

- Awarding of Contract for Next Gen E911 System
- o Relocation and Build of Tamuning and Sinajana Fire Station
- o Rebuild/Renovation of Rescue Base 2 Agat Marina
- oFire Station Renovations/Repairs
- o East Side Boat Ramp
- o Procurement of Fire Apparatus/Tenders
- o Paramedic Initiative
- OJunior Firefighter Program
- Establish EMT & Fire Inspector positions







